OPINION 1427

Taenia perfoliata Schrank, 1788 (Cestoda): conserved and confirmed as type species of *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *equina* Pallas, 1781, as published in the binomen *Taenia equina*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy;

(2) The entry for the name *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848 on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology is hereby confirmed and completed as follows: *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848 (gender: feminine), type species, by subsequent designation by Braun, 1900, *Taenia perfoliata* Schrank, 1788;

(3) The name *perfoliata* Schrank, 1788, as published in the binomen *Taenia perfoliata* (specific name of the type species of *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1788) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology;

(4) The name *Anoplocephala* Stål, 1870 (a junior homonym of *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology;

(5) The name *equina* Pallas, 1781, as published in the binomen *Taenia equina* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of case 2498

An application for the conservation of *Taenia perfoliata* Schrank, 1788 with confirmation of it as the nominal type species of *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848 (see Opinion 77), was formulated in 1984 by the then Secretary, Mr R. V. Melville. After correspondence with specialists the case was published in BZN **42**: 77 (April 1985). Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to twelve general and five specialist serials. No comment was received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1986 the members of the Commission were invited to vote for or against the proposals set out in BZN **42**: 77. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1986 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes — 18: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Corliss, Hahn, Halvorsen, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — none.

Holthuis was on leave of absence. No votes were returned by Bernardi, Cogger, Dupuis, Gruchy, Heppell and Starobogatov.

Original references

The following are the original references to names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the ruling in the present Opinion:

Anophocephala Blanchard, 1848, *Annales Sciences naturelles, Paris* (3) Zool. **10**: 344.

Anoplocephala Stål, 1870, *Kungliga Svenska Vetenskapsakademiens Handlingar* **9**, no. 1: 88

equina, Taenia, Pallas, 1781, *Neue nordische Beytraege* . . . vol. 1, p. 71
perfoliata, Taenia, Schrank, 1788, *Ver Eingeweide würmer,* p. 37

The following is the original reference to the subsequent designation of a type species for the nominal genus *Anoplocephala* Blanchard, 1848: of *Taenia perfoliata* Schrank by Braun, 1900 *in* Bronn's *Klassen und Ordnungen des Tierreichs,* vol. 4, Abt. Ib, lief. 59–62, p. 1657.